

CONFIDENTIALSECURITY INFORMATION

OFFICE OF RESEARCH AND REPORTS

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SUBJECT: Industrial Register Plant Summaries

1. Following a suggestion by this Office, OCD has undertaken a major project designed to facilitate the work of ORR analysts. This consists of summarizing into ten or twelve pages the frequently voluminous data in the Industrial Register on individual plants. Twelve such summaries have been completed and reviewed by this Office. The program will continue as rapidly as possible.

2. Though this type of work falls naturally in the province of ORR, present lack of resources and the pressure of other work would prevent our accomplishing it in the foreseeable future. We are indeed fortunate that the Industrial Register staff, consisting of competent engineers are willing and able to perform this service.

3. It is important that all analysts realize that these summaries are neither finished intelligence nor necessarily complete summaries of all available information. Therefore their existence is no excuse for failure of an analyst to examine the underlying data when charged with performing a thorough study. On the other hand these "plant folders" should be invaluable to ORR and its analysts in:

- a. Providing breadth of cover;
- b. Facilitating initial survey and organization of a major study;
- c. Making possible some response to urgent spot requirements.

4. To conserve the resources of the Industrial Register all ORR analysts will furnish it with copies of equivalent plant studies they may have made or have occasion to make.

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